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SUBJ: TRIAL OF JDL MEMBERS CHARGED IN HURON FIRE
BOMBING CASE

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REF: USUN 1981, USUN 2027

1. TRIAL OF TWO JDL MEMBERS ACCUSED OF FIRE BOMBING
JDL HURON IS OFFICE CONTINUED MAY 31ST, BUT WAS
RECESSED UNTIL JUNE 8TH WHEN THREE KEY GOVERNMENT
WITNESSES BALKED AT TESTIFYING.

2. FEDERAL JUDGE ARNOLD BAUMAN, IN GRANTING PROSECUTION'S
MOTION FOR A RECESS, ORDERED USG TO REPORT TO HIM ON
WHETHER CIA HAD WIRE-TAPPED DEFENDANTS OR GOVERNMENTAL
WITNESSES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF JDL.

3. JDL ATTORNEYS CHARGED THAT WIRE TAPS WERE PUT ON
PHONES AFTER MEETING IN EARLY 1970S ATTENDED BY
JOHN MITCHELL, J. EDGAR HOOVER, HENRY KISSINGER AND
STATE DEPT. OFFICIALS. JDL ATTORNEYS POINTED TO A
CIVIL DEPOSITION GIVEN EARLIER IN 1973 BY MITCHELL IN
CONNECTION WITH A CIVIL SUIT BROUGHT BY JDL AGAINST
MITCHELL AND SEVERAL OTHER U.S. OFFICIALS OVER TAPPING.

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OF PHONES.

4. GOVERNMENT ATTORNEY HAD CONCEDED EARLIER THAT A "NATIONAL SECURITY" WIRE TAP HAD BEEN PLACED ON JDL HEADQUARTERS PHONES AND ON HOME PHONES OF SOME JDL MEMBERS. THIS EVIDENCE WAS TURNED OVER TO JDL DEFENSE.

5. SHELDON SIEGEL, ONE TIME GOVT INFORMER, WAS HELD IN CONTEMPT AFTER REFUSING TO TESTIFY OUTSIDE PRESENCE OF A JURY. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN PROMISED HE WOULD NOT HAVE TO TESTIFY IF HE PROVIDED CERTAIN INFORMATION WHICH, HE SAID, HE DID. SIEGEL'S ATTORNEY SAID HE WOULD APPEAL.

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